

Introduction to Mapping

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Make Online Hazard Map

To generate an online hazard map your area of interest, simply enter the information requested below. For more information about the map data, please visit the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) page.

1. Select Area of Interest

City:

State:

2. Select Type of Hazard Map

3.

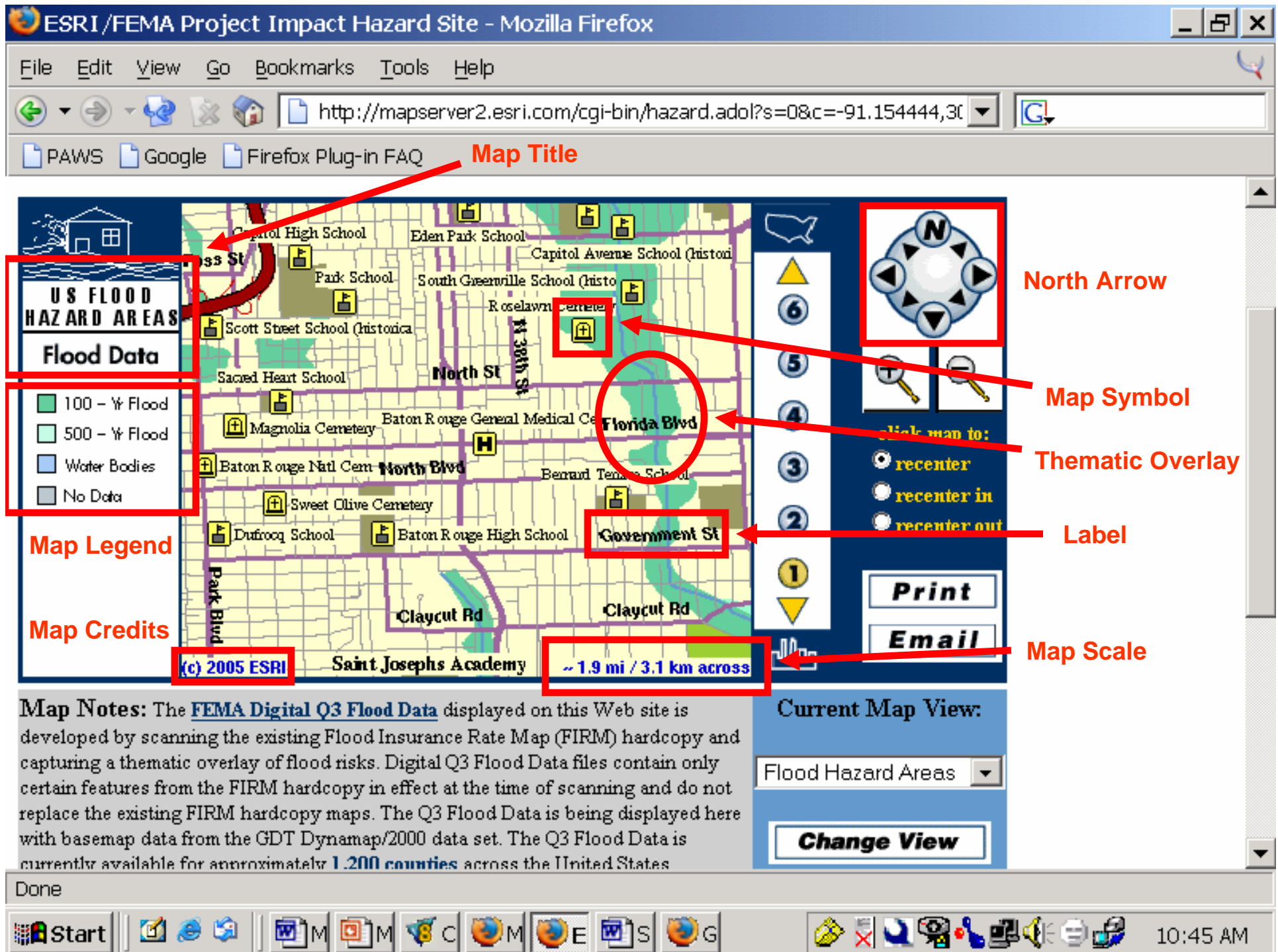
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Definition of a map

A map is a graphic representation of the milieu (Robinson and Petchenik, 1976).

Milieu is used broadly to include all aspects of the cultural and physical environment.

This definition includes mental abstractions that are not physically present on the geographical landscape.

Elements of a Map I

Title: STRENGTH OF HURRICANES AND LOCATION OF HURRICANE TRACKS IN LOUISIANA SINCE 1970

Mapped Area: Includes the map itself

Credits:

- Who compiled the map?
- When was the map compiled?
- Which data sources were used?
- Which data collection methods were applied?

Legend:

Category 1 Hurricane 74-95 MPH



Category 2 Hurricane 96-110 MPH



Category 3 Hurricane 111-130 MPH



Category 4 Hurricane 131-155 MPH



Category 5 Hurricane >155 MPH



Elements of a Map II

North Arrow: (

Symbols:



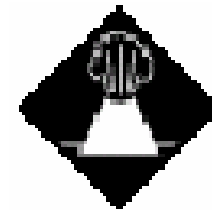
Fire Incident



Flammable
Gas



Radioactive
Material



Volcanic
Eruption

Scale:

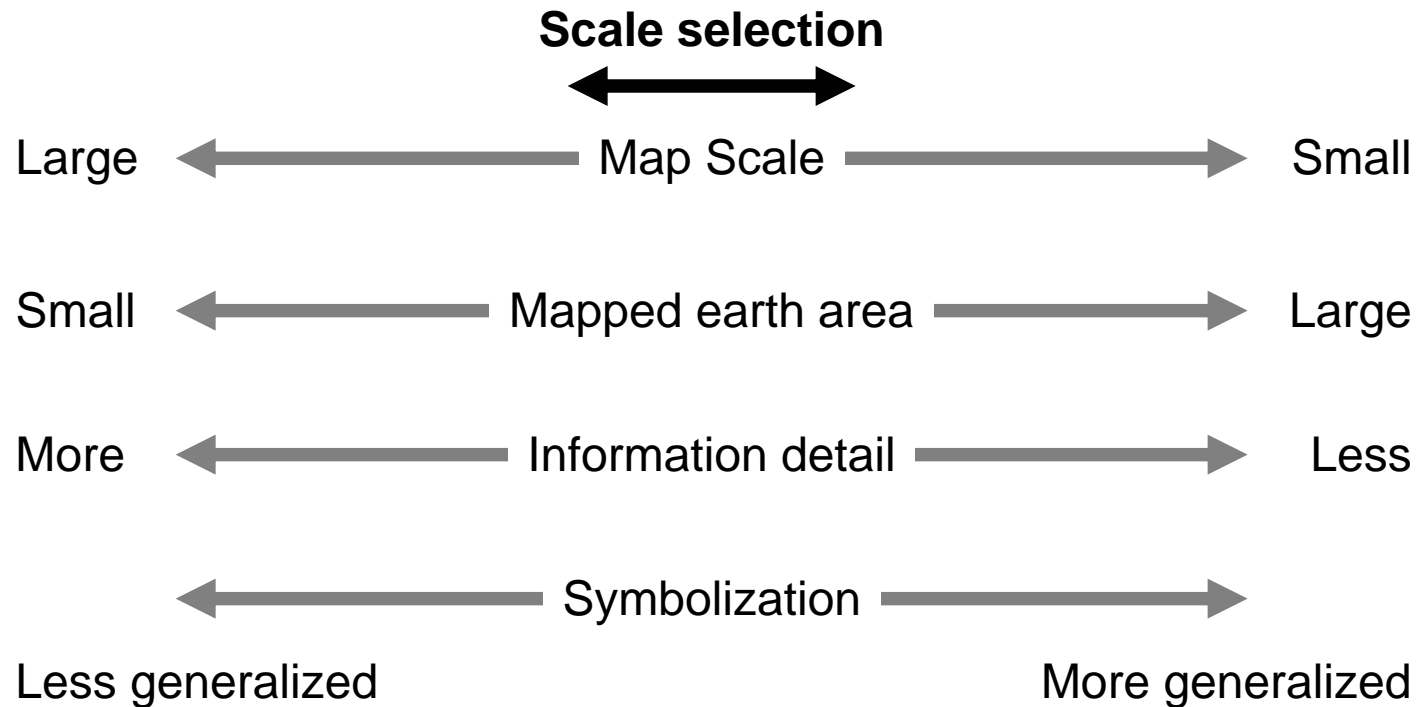
Numerical 1:100,000

Graphical  20 Miles

Map Frame: Encloses the mapped area.

Map Projection: A systematic representation of a round body such as the Earth on a flat (plane) surface.

Map Scale I

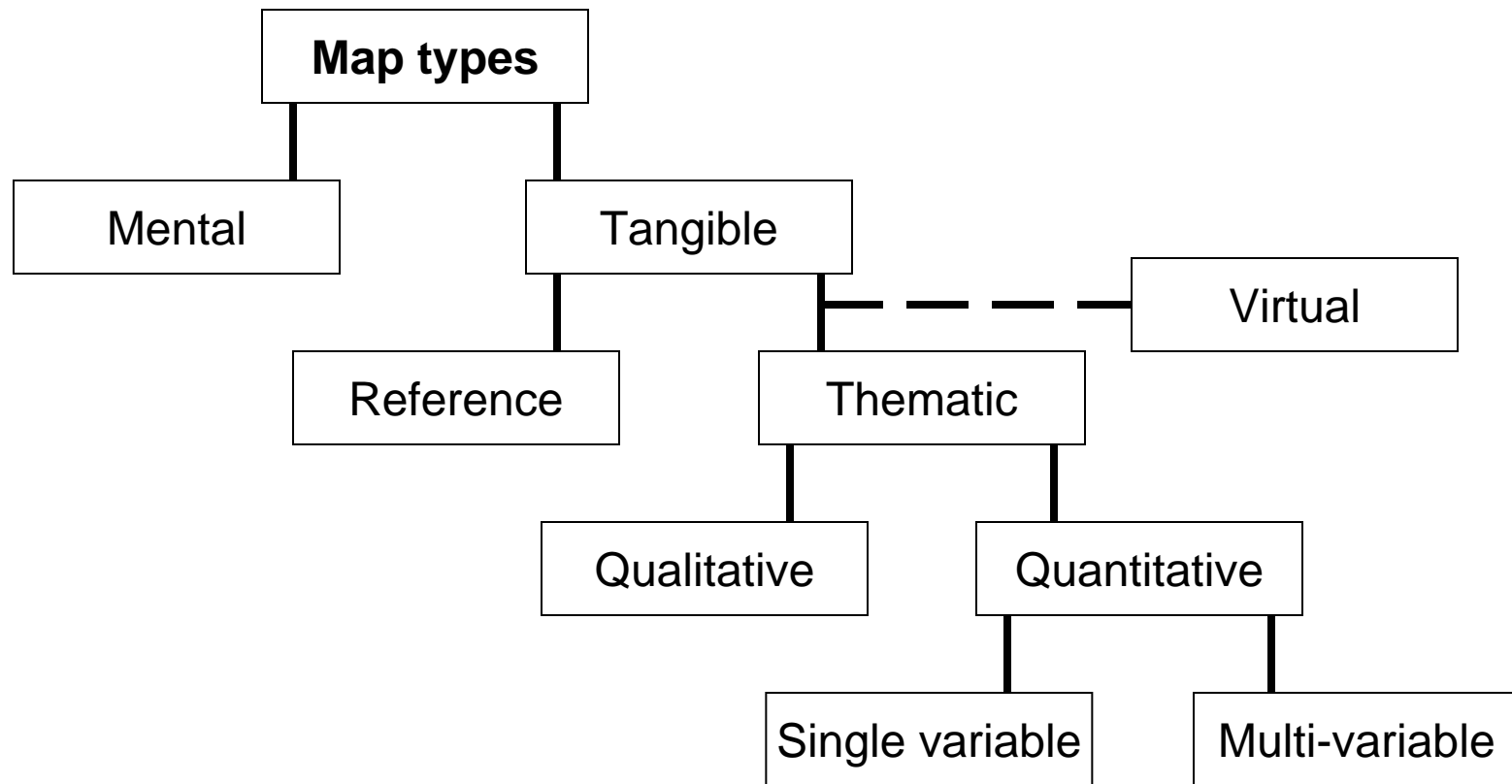


Adopted from: Dent (1999)

Map Scale II

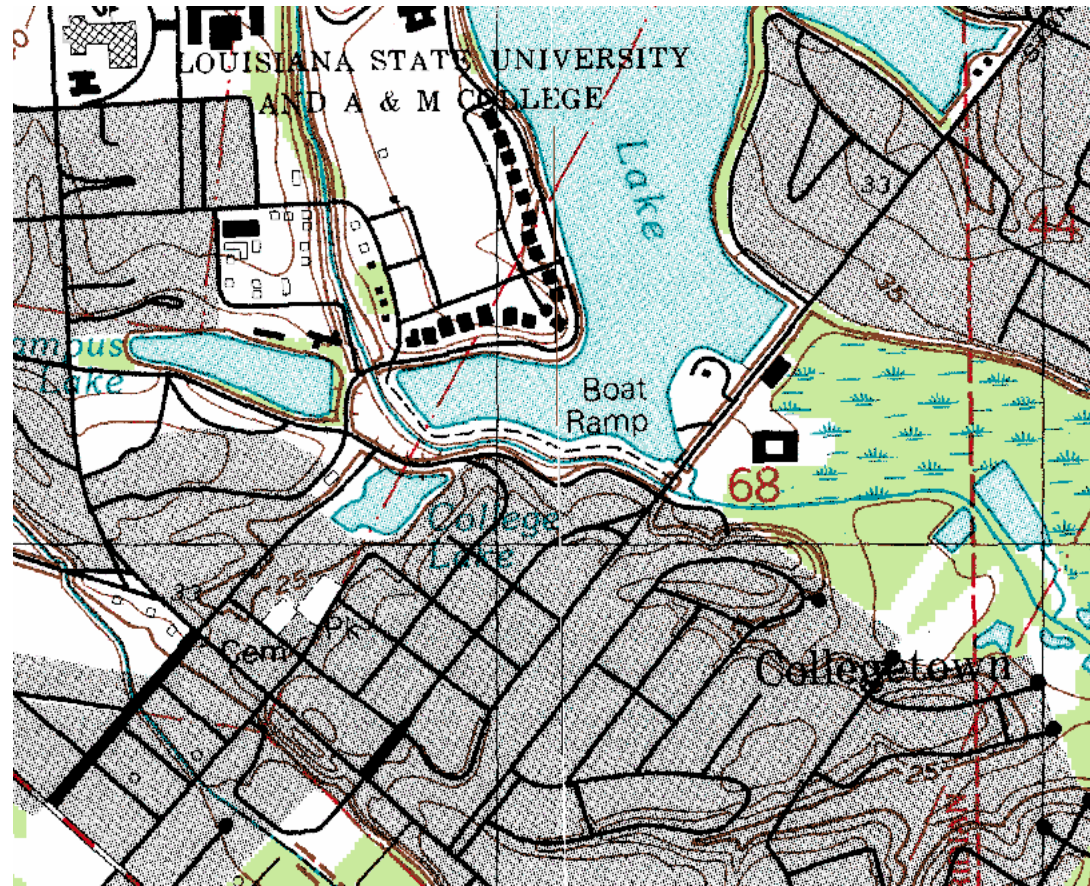
- Large map scale:** 1:24,000 and larger; an example is the 7.5-minute, 1:24,000-scale quadrangle map series from the USGS
- Medium map scale:** Scale ranges between 1:24,000 and 1:30mio; examples area USGS 1:100,000-scale and 1:250,000-scale maps
- Small map scale:** 1:30mio and smaller; an example is a map of the world

Classification of Maps



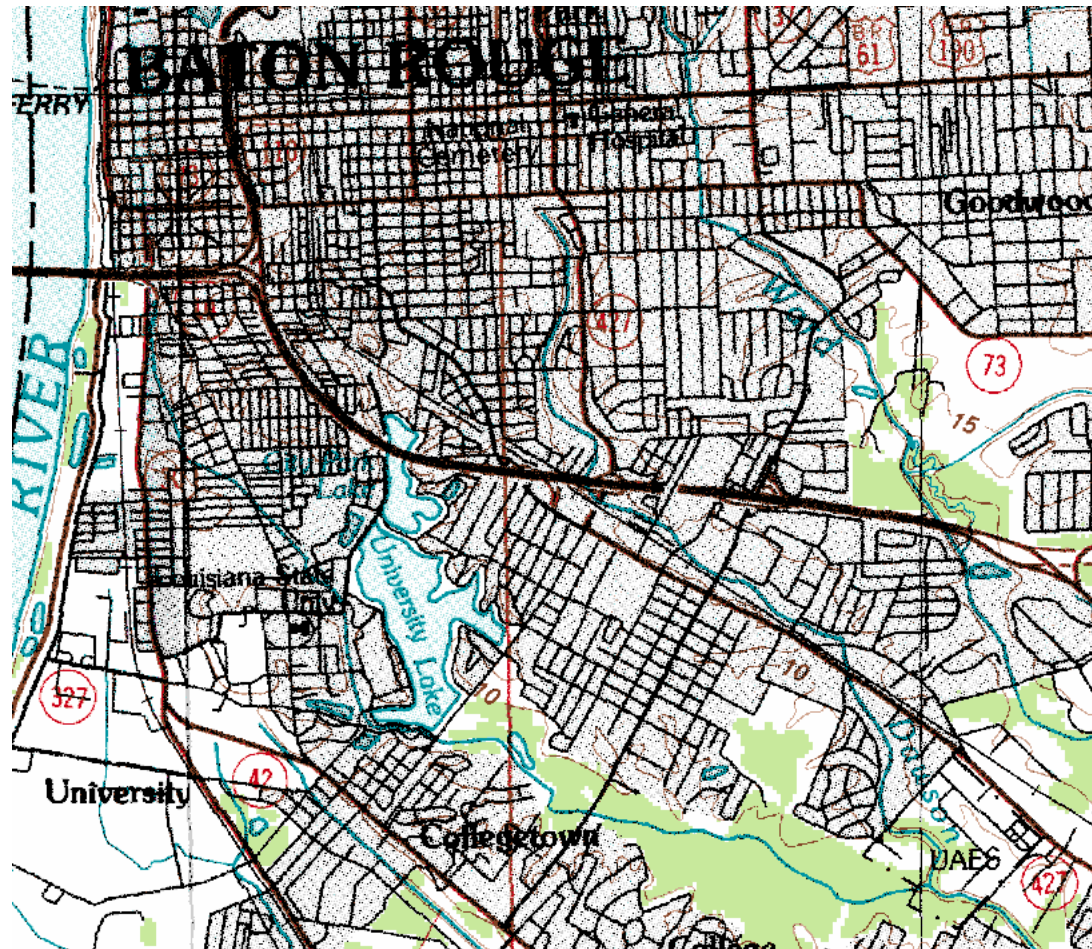
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Digital Raster Graphics (DRG) of USGS 7.5 Minute Map



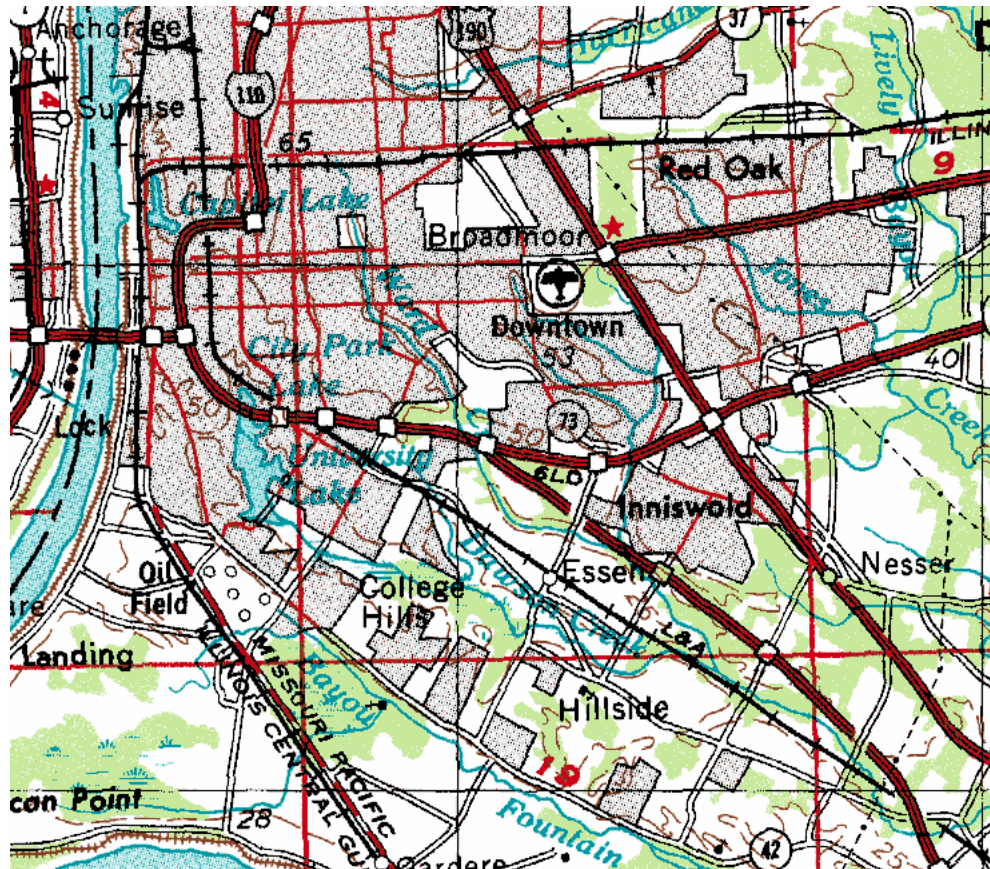
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Digital Raster Graphics (DRG) of USGS 100,000-Scale Map



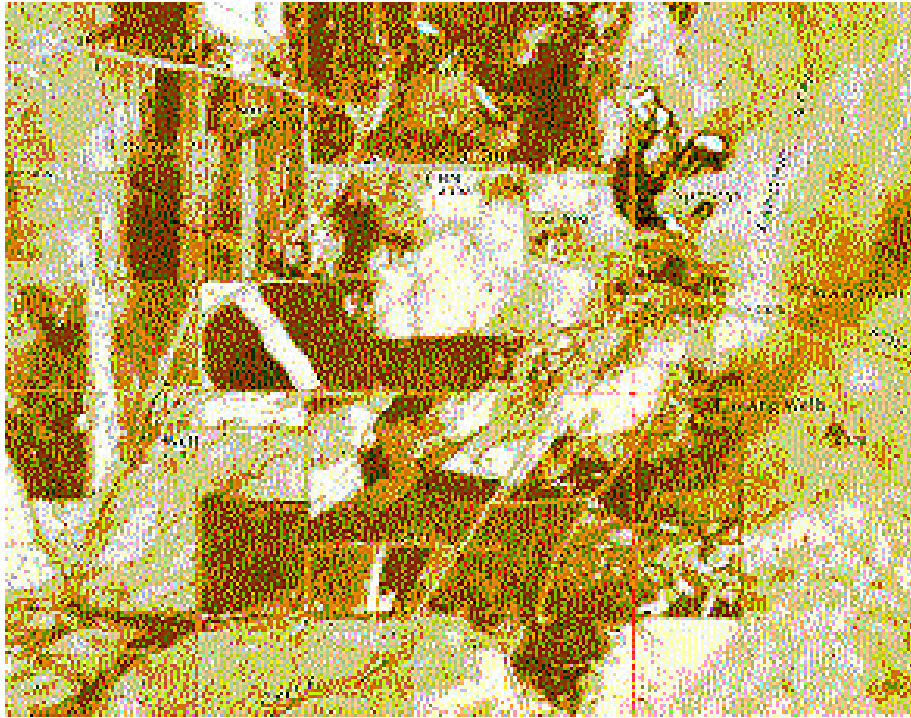
Source: <http://atlas.lsu.edu>

Digital Raster Graphics (DRG) of USGS 250,000-Scale Map



Source: <http://atlas.lsu.edu>

USGS Orthophotomap



Part of "Callao Quadrangle, Utah," 1972, 1:24,000, 7.5-minute orthophotomap, Lambert conformal conic projection, 22 x 27 inches.

Source: <http://erg.usgs.gov/isb/pubs/booklets/usgsmaps/usgsmaps.html>

USGS Orthophotoquad



Part of "Lewes, Delaware," quadrangle,
1980, 1:25,000, orthophotoquad, Universal
Transverse Mercator projection, 22 x 27
inches.

Source: <http://erg.usgs.gov/isb/pubs/booklets/usgsmaps/usgsmaps.html>

Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator's Office (LOSCO) Digital Orthophoto Quarter Quadrangle



Part of "SE quadrant of Baton Rouge West Quadrangle, LA," 1998, 3.75 minute color infrared (CIR) orthophoto, Universal Transverse Mercator projection, UTM Zone 15 NAD83.

Source: <http://atlas.lsu.edu>

USGS High-Resolution 1500-meter Orthoimage



USGS high-resolution 1500-meter orthoimage (part of 133 Urban Areas – Baton Rouge, LA Area). Natural color orthoimage at 0.3-meter pixel resolution (approximately 1-foot), 2002, Universal Transverse Mercator, Zone 15, NAD 1983.

Source: USGS

USGS Shaded Relief Map



Part of the "Grand Canyon National Park and Vicinity, Arizona," shaded-relief edition of 1972, 1:62,500, polyconic projection.

Source: <http://erg.usgs.gov/isb/pubs/booklets/usgsmaps/usgsmaps.html>

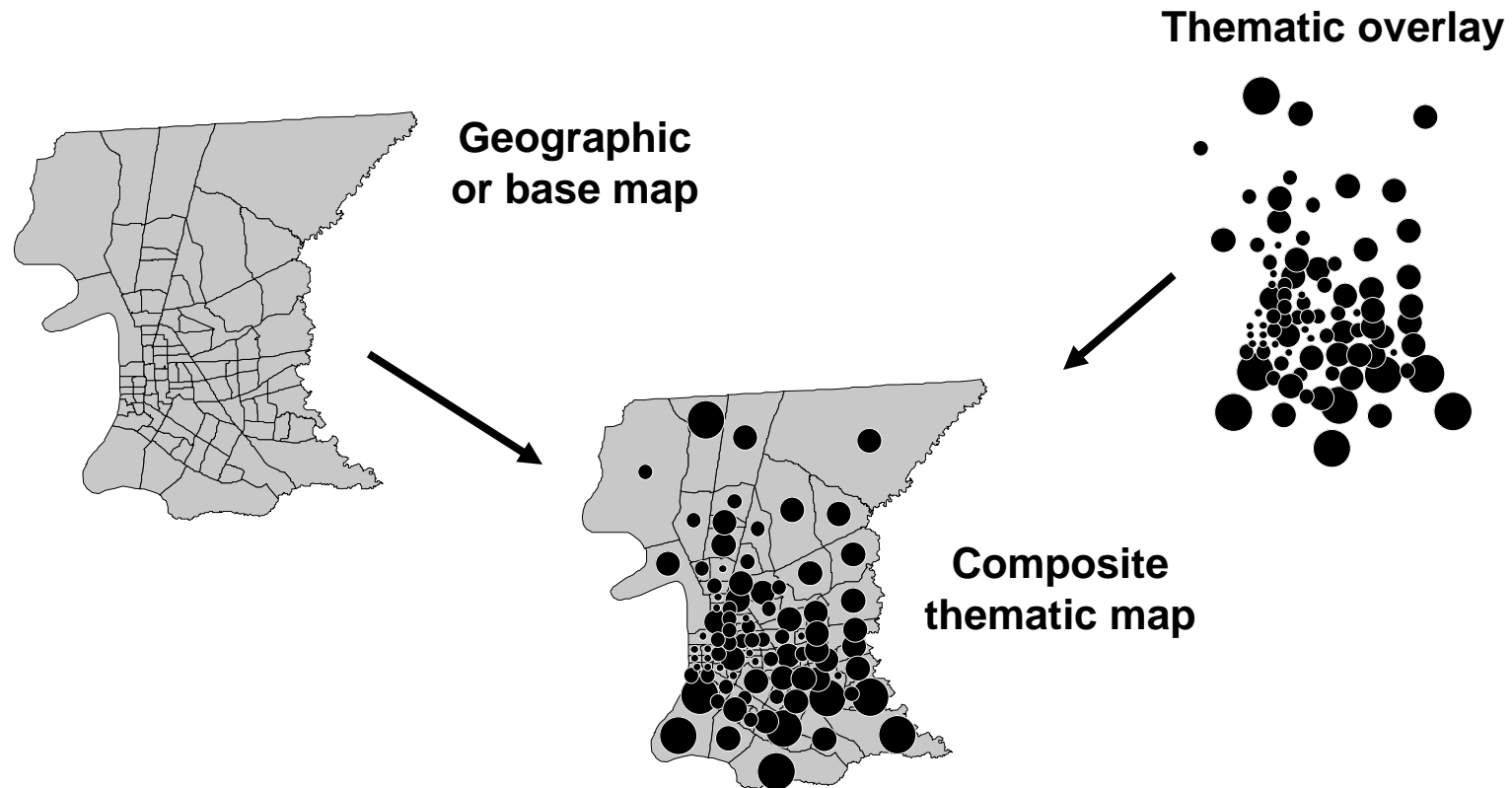
USGS Topographic-Bathymetric Map



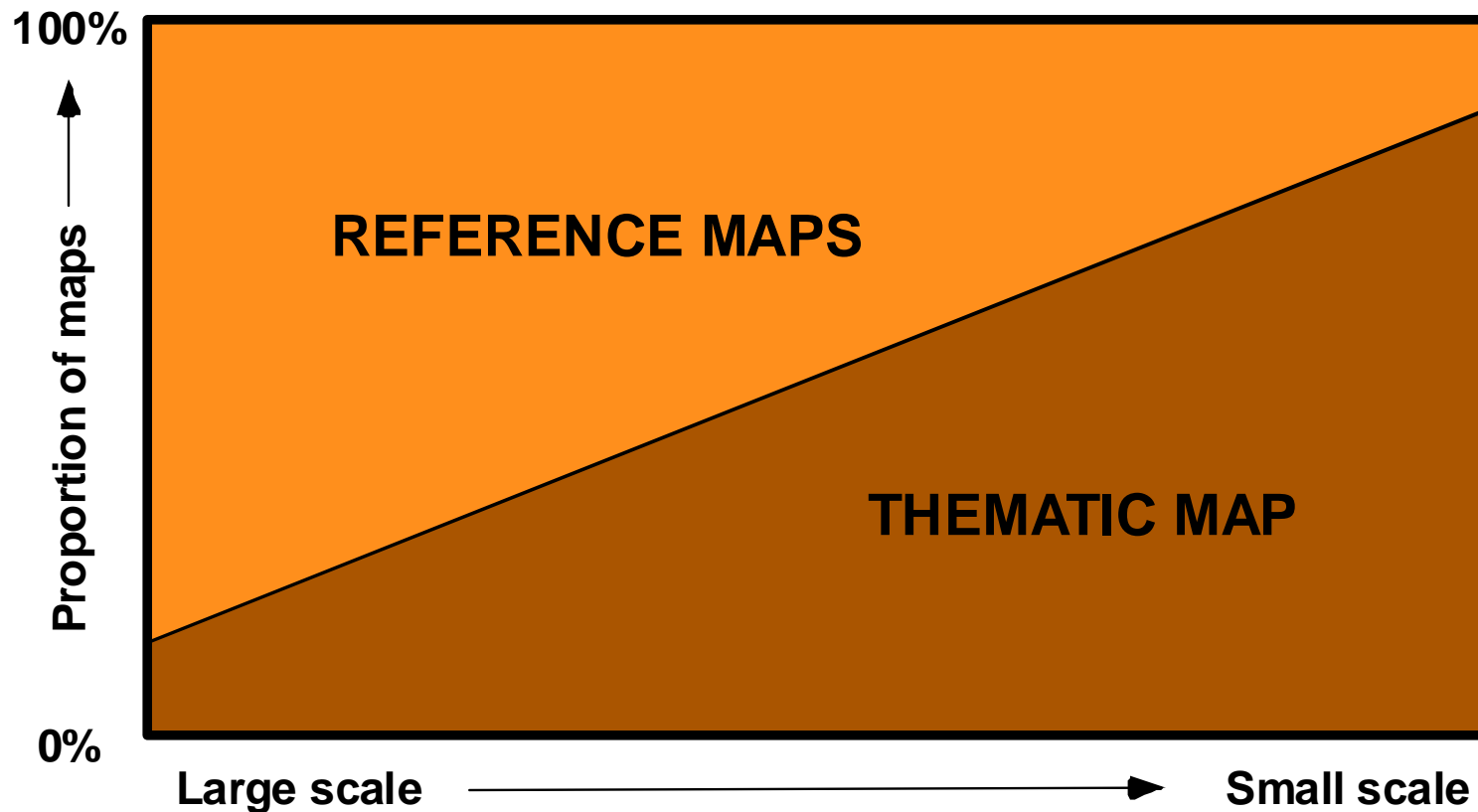
Part of the topographic-bathymetric map "Kedges Straits, Maryland," quadrangle, 1972, bathymetry added 1987, by the USGS and the National Ocean Survey, 1:24,000, Lambert conformal conic projection.

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The Two Components of a Thematic Map

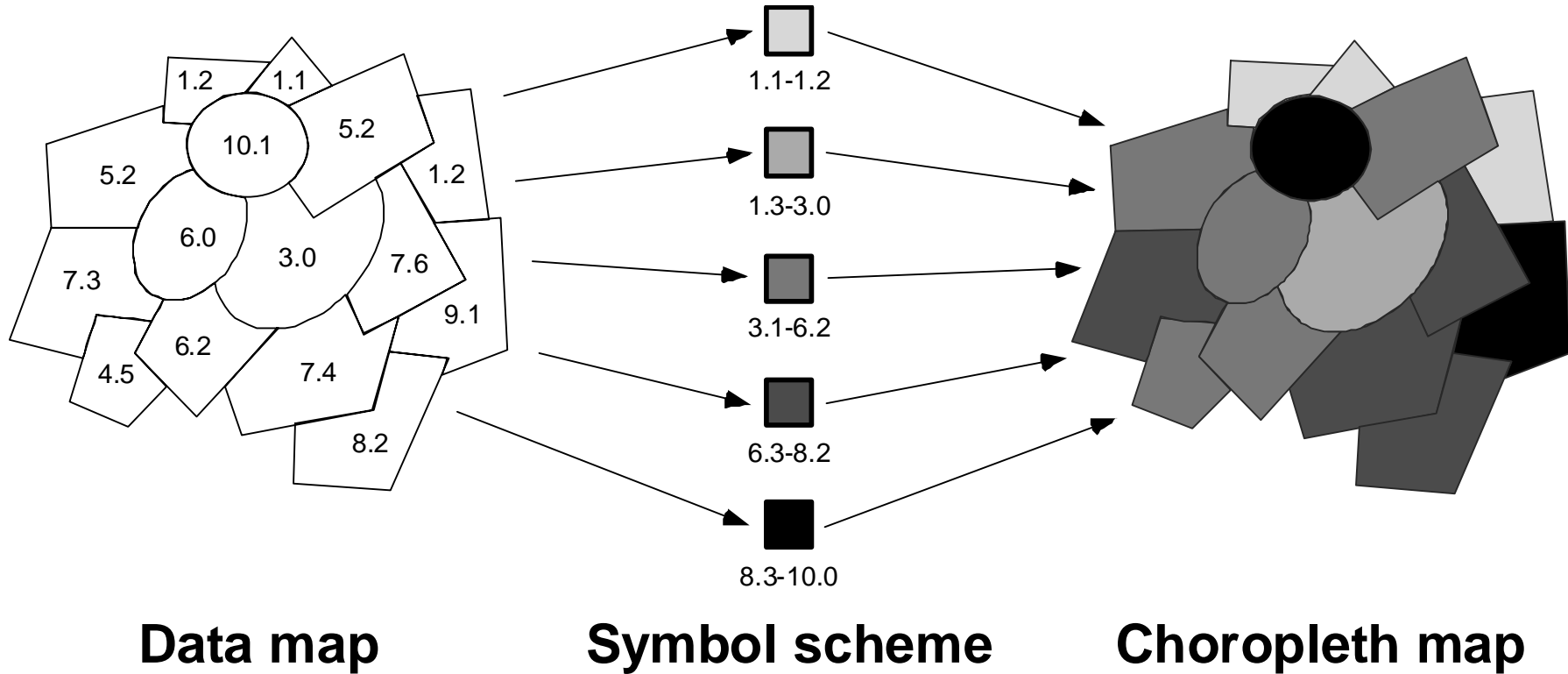


Relationship Between Type of Map and Map Scale



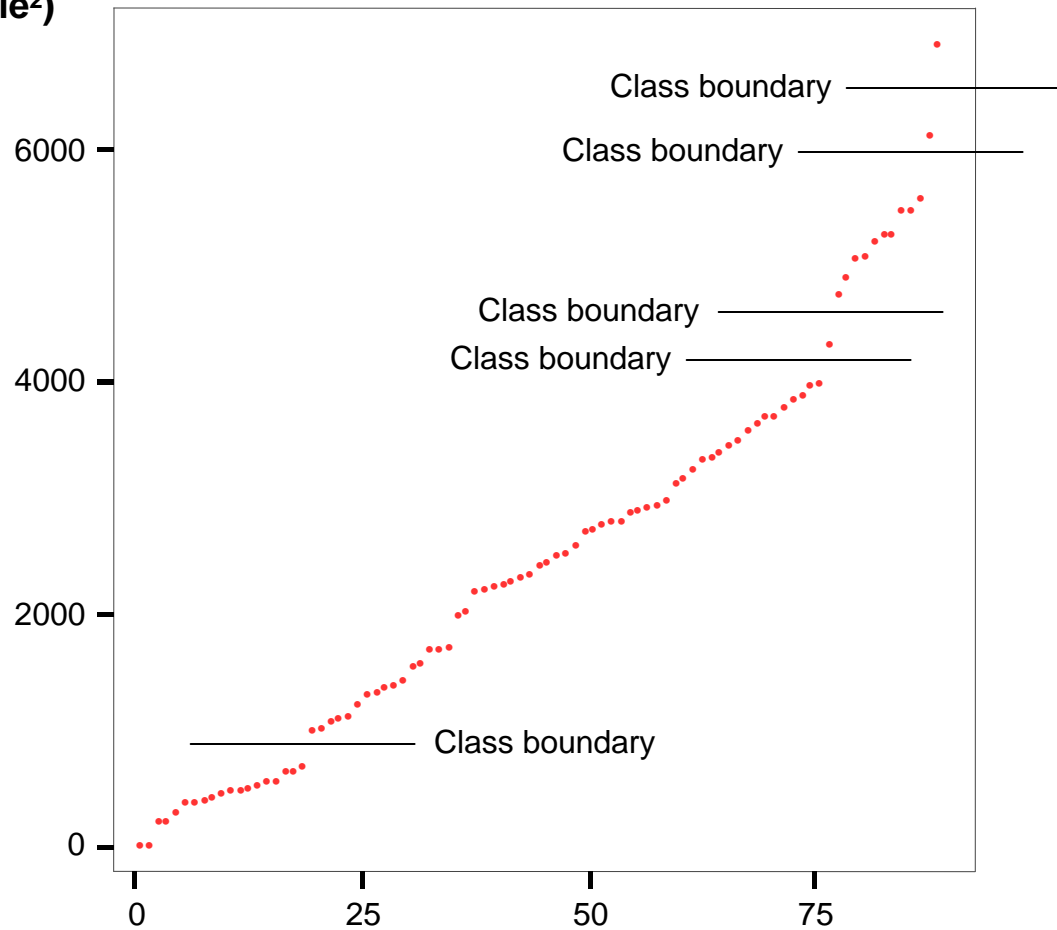
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The Choropleth Technique



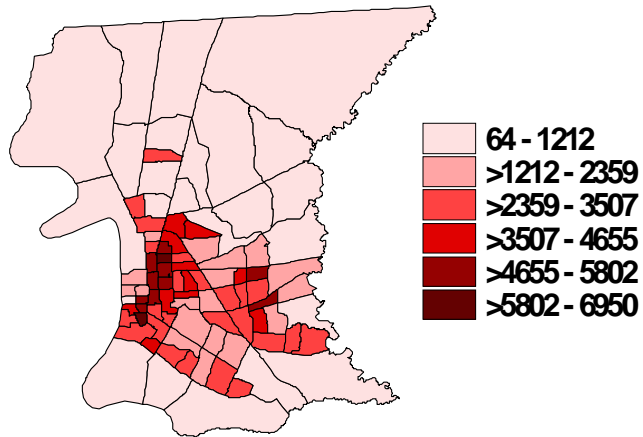
Natural Breaks Classification Method (6 Classes)

Population Density
(per mile²)

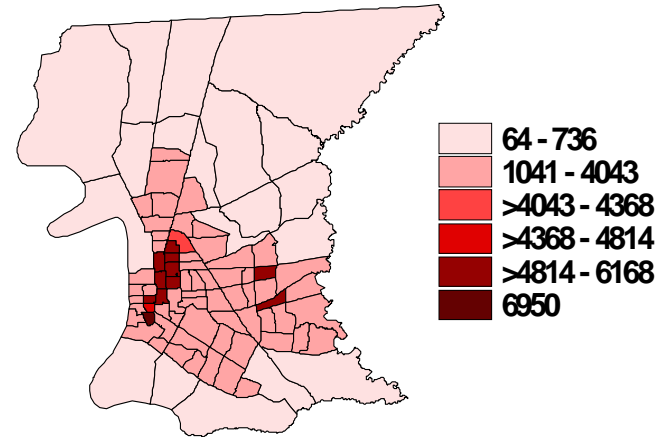


Rank-order of census tracts (1=lowest
population density, 89=highest density)

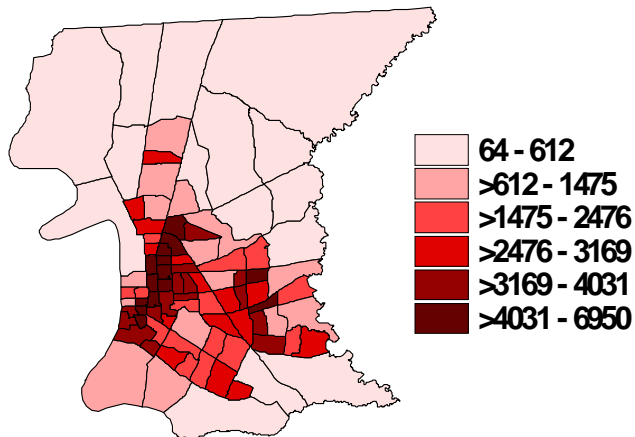
Data Mapped with Four Different Classification Methods (6 Classes)



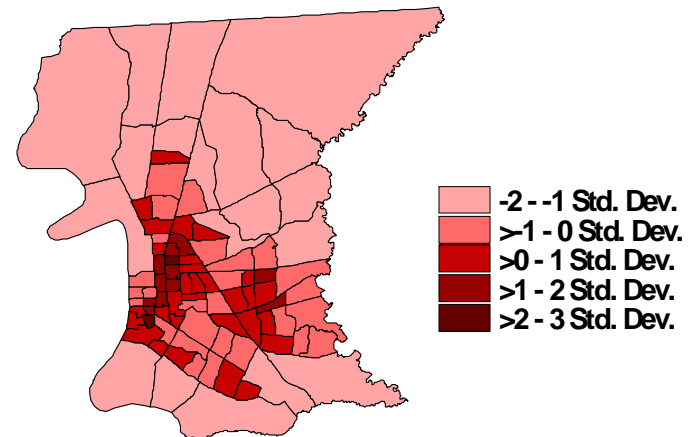
Equal steps



Natural breaks



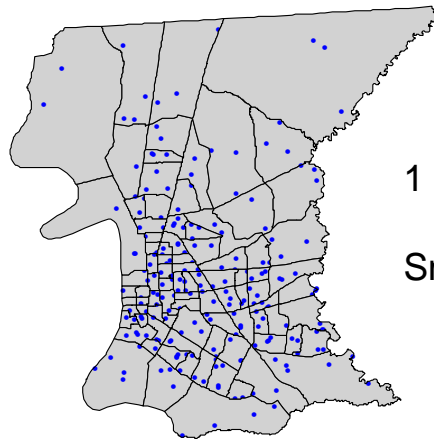
Quantiles (Sixtiles)



Standard deviations

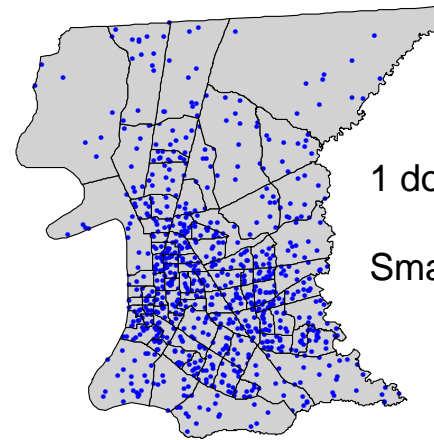
The Common Dot Map

Population Distribution in East Baton Rouge Parish



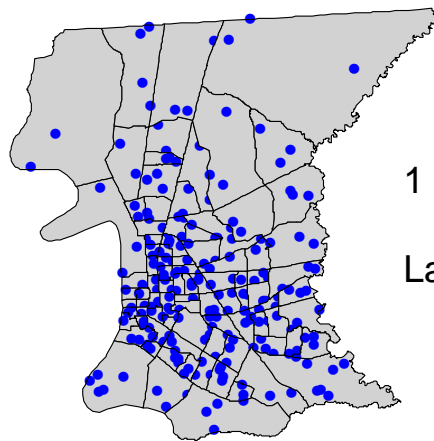
1 dot = 2,000 people

Small dot size



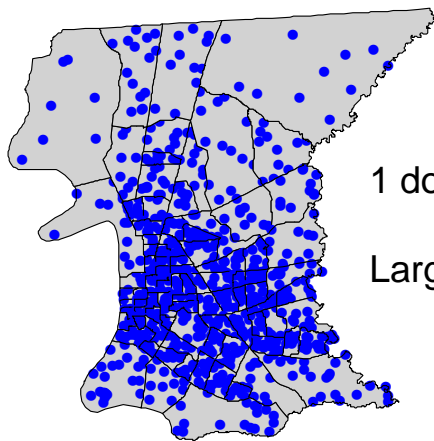
1 dot = 500 people

Small dot size



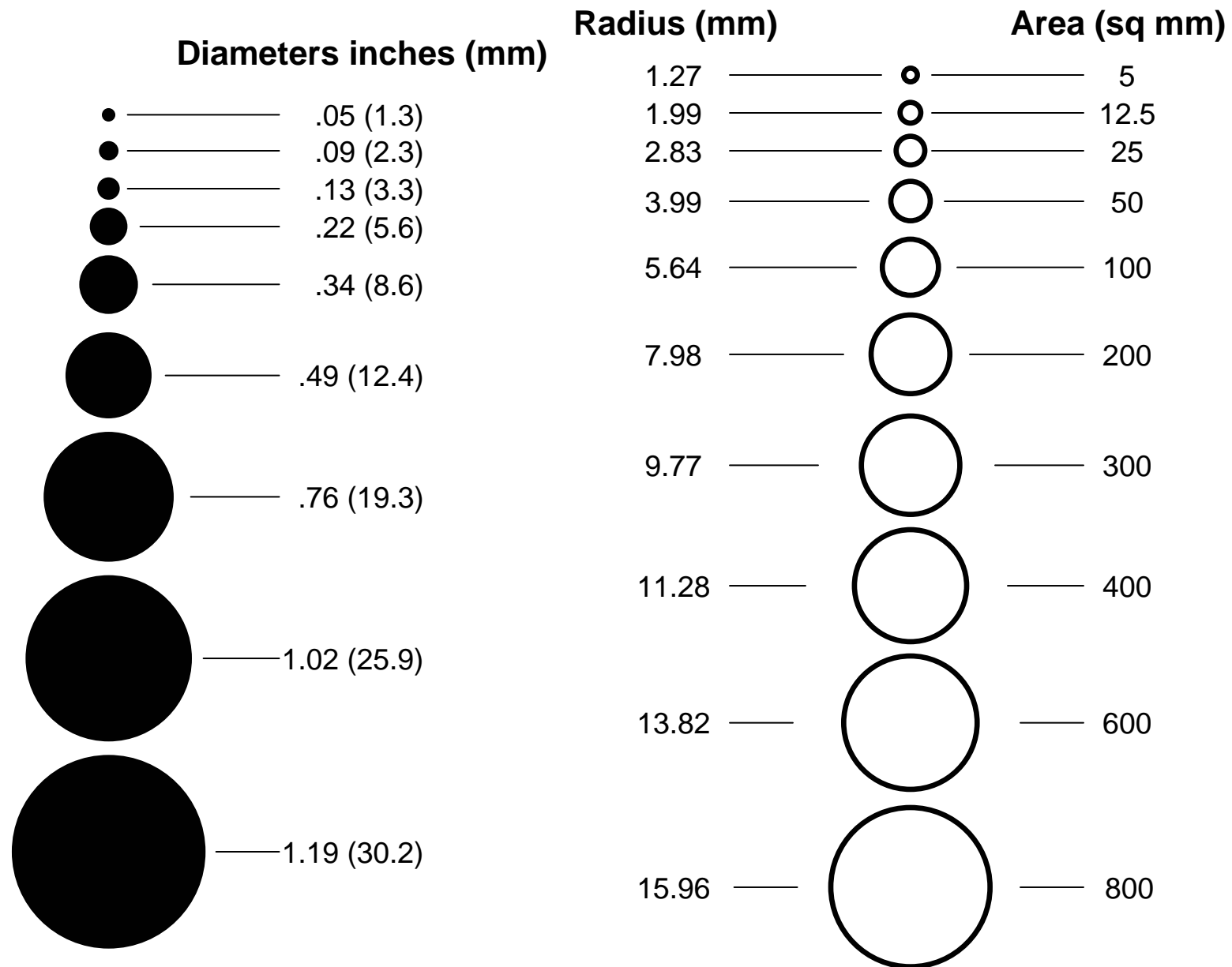
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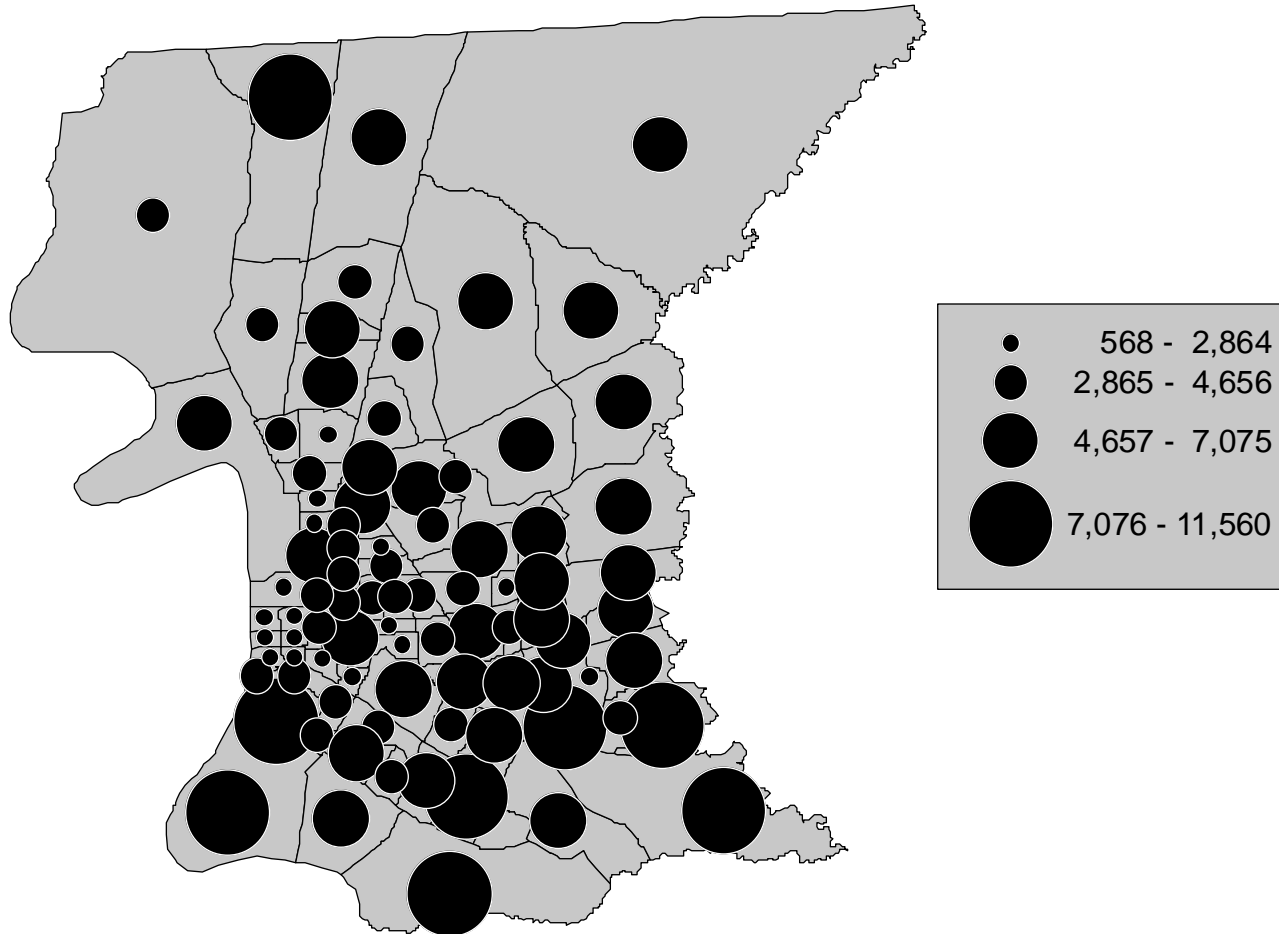
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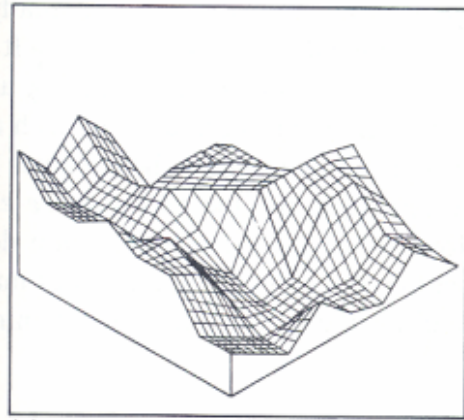


Two different sets of range-graded circles to use in proportional point symbol mapping. Any set containing three to six adjacent opaque circles (left) and no more than five adjacent transparent circles (right) may be used.

The Proportional Symbol Map



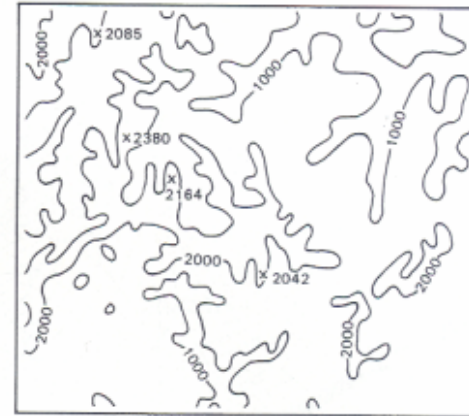
The Isarithmic Map



(a)



(b)

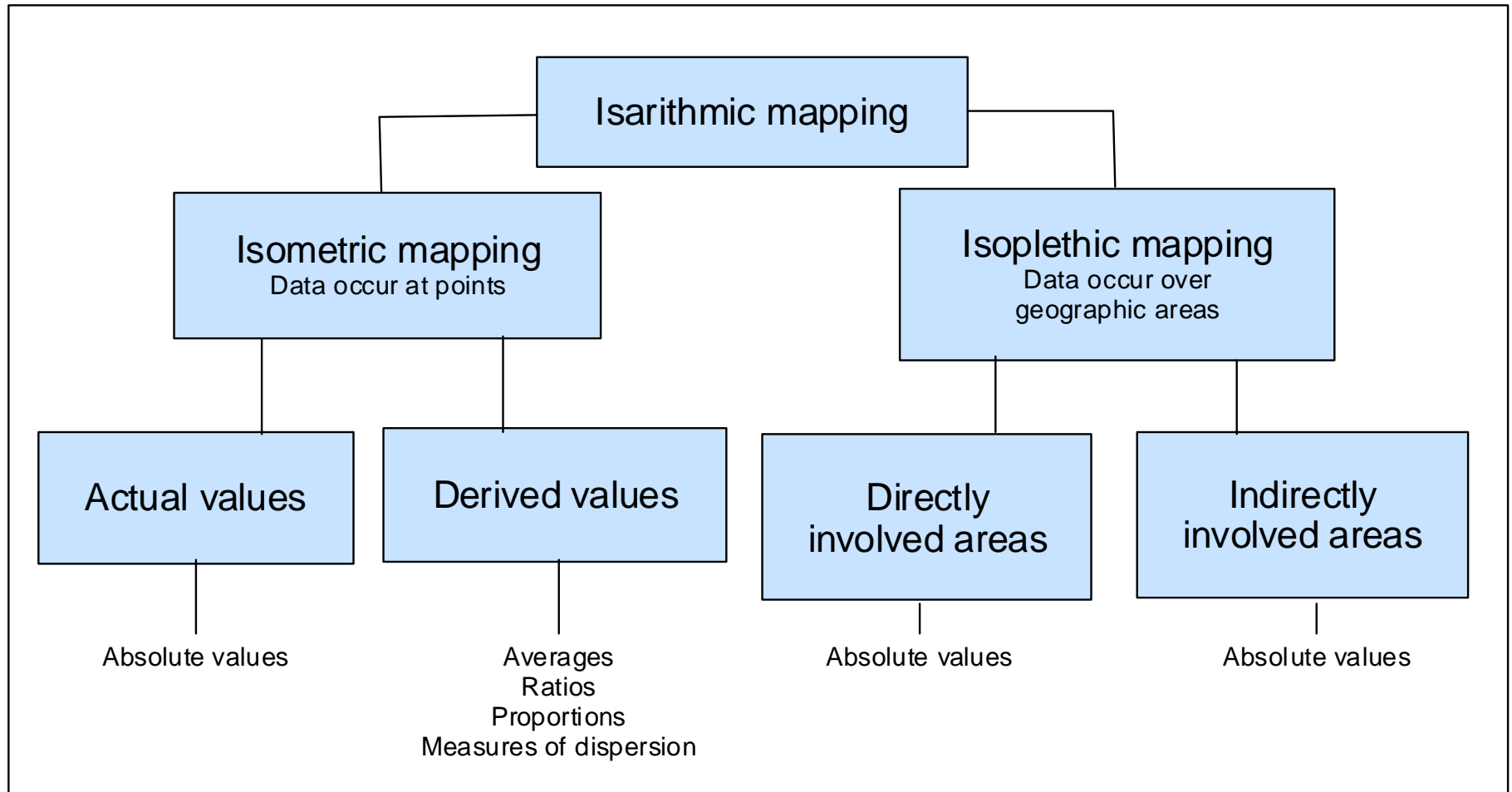


(c)

- (a) Three-dimensional model bounded by a continuous surface;
- (b) vertical shaded relief representation of three-dimensional model;
- (c) planimetric representation of the three-dimensional model in form of an isarithmic map.

Source: Dent, (1999)

The Isarithmic Map



Adopted from: Dent (1999)

Isoline Names

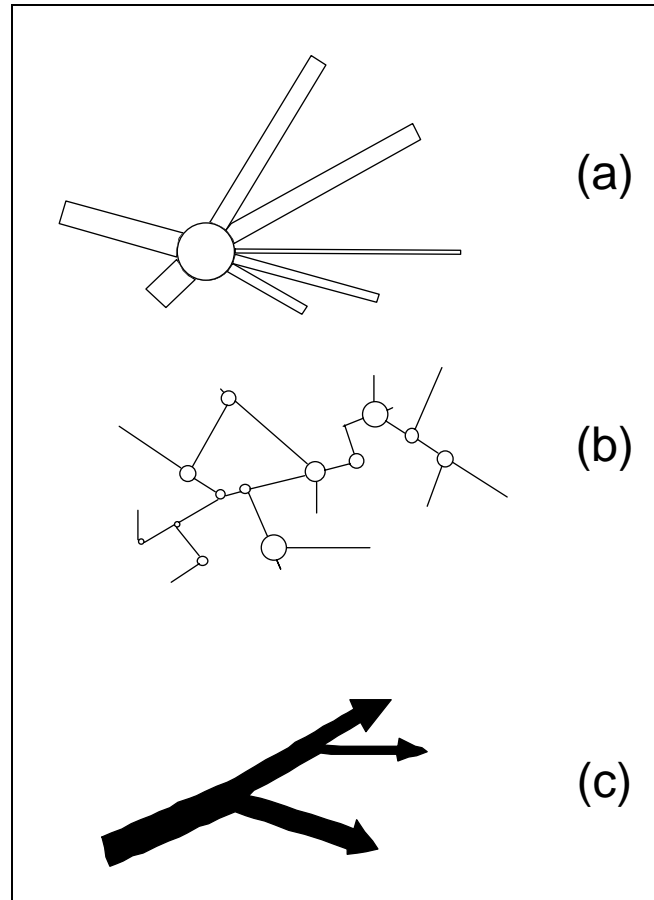
<i>Isobath</i>	Depth below a datum (e.g., mean sea level)	<i>Isostalak</i>	Intensity of plankton precipitation
<i>Isogonic line</i>	Magnetic declination	<i>Isovapor</i>	Vapor content in the air
<i>Isocline</i>	Magnetic dip (inclination) or angle of slope	<i>Isodynam</i>	Traffic tension
<i>Isohypse (contour)</i>	Elevation above a datum (e.g., mean sea level)	<i>Isophot</i>	Intensity of light on a surface
<i>Isodynamic line</i>	Intensity of the magnetic field	<i>Isoneph</i>	Degree of cloudiness
<i>Isotherm</i>	Temperature	<i>Isochrone</i>	Travel time from a given point
<i>Isobar</i>	Atmospheric pressure	<i>Isophene</i>	Date of beginning of a plant species entering a certain phenological phase
<i>Isohyet</i>	Precipitation	<i>Isophectic</i>	Time of ice formation
<i>Isobront</i>	Occurrence of thunderstorms	<i>Isotac</i>	Time of thawing
<i>Isanther</i>	Time of flowering of plants	<i>Isobase</i>	Vertical earth movement
<i>Isoceph</i>	Cranial indices	<i>Isohemeric line</i> ...	Minimum time of (freight) transportation
<i>Isochalz</i>	Frequency of hail storms	<i>Isohel</i>	Average duration of sunshine in a specified time
<i>Isogene</i>	Density of a genus	<i>Isodopane</i>	Cost of travel time
<i>Isospecie</i>	Density of a species		
<i>Isodyn</i>	Economic attraction		
<i>Isohydrodynam</i>	Potential water power		

Source: Thrower, 1972

Source: U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, 1981 International Energy Annual.

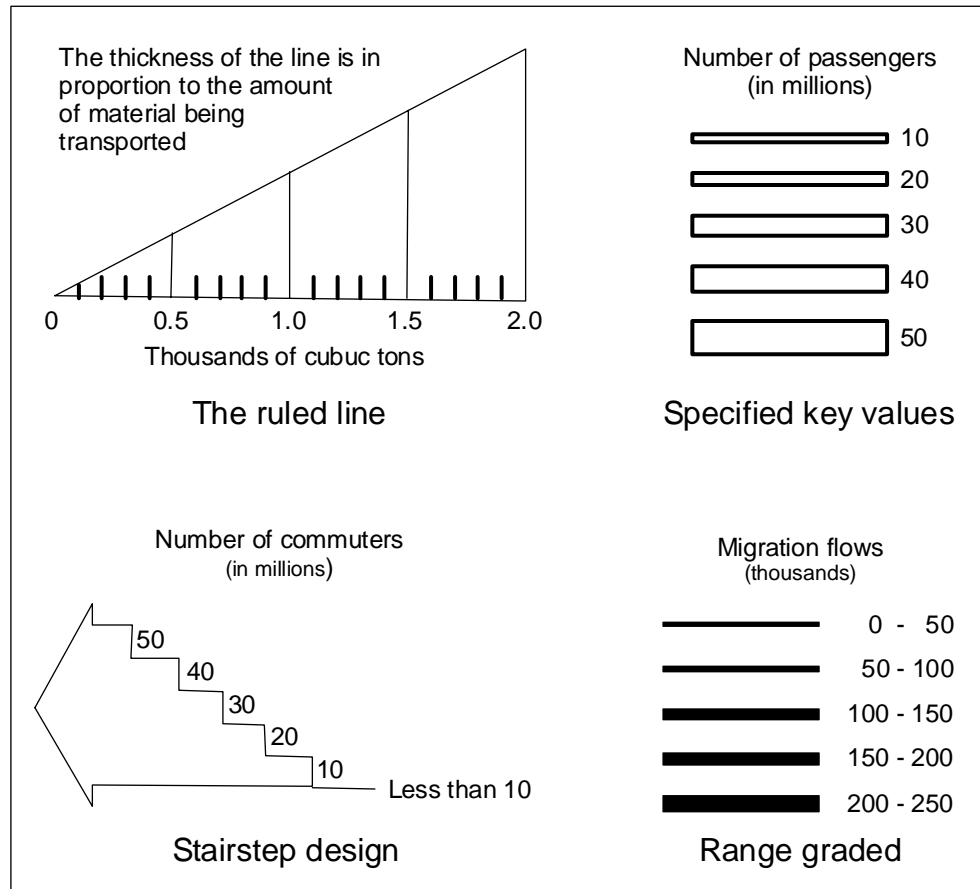
Source: Dent, (1999)

Classification of Flow Maps



Classification of flow maps: (a) radial type, (b) network type, (c) distributive type;
Source: Dent, (1999)

Legend Designs for Flow Maps



Source: Dent, (1999)